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This is a decision on the petition under 37 CFR 1.378(c), filed April 22, 2011, to accept the unintentionally delayed payment of a maintenance fee for the above-identified patent.

The petition is **GRANTED**.

This patent expired April 27, 2009 for failure to pay the three and one-half year maintenance fee. Since this petition was submitted within twenty-four months after the six month grace period provided in 37 CFR 1.362(e), the petition was timely filed under the provisions of 37 CFR 1.378(c).

The maintenance fee is hereby accepted and the above-identified patent is reinstated as of the mail date of this decision.

The file does not indicate a change of address has been submitted, although the address given on the petition differs from the address of record. If appropriate, a change of address should be filed in accordance with MPEP 601.03. A courtesy copy of this decision is being mailed to the address given on the petition; however the Office will mail all future correspondence solely to the user of record.

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